

DUPES FLOCK TO COURT.

Miller's Victims, by the Hundred, Watch His Trial.

The restless throng of men and women who lost their money in the Franklin 100 per cent. syndicate swindle, hundreds in number, wandered up and down the corridors of the Kings County Court-House this morning in the vain hope of catching admission to the chambers where Judge Hurd is trying William F. Miller, the "Little Lord Fauntleroy of Finance," who started the syndicate among his Sunday-school mates, and who, in eight months, gathered in \$1,000,000 of other people's money.

Judge Hurd was occupied the first half hour listening to pleadings and sentencing other offenders and at 10:40 the cross-examination of C. Oscar Berstrom, the seventh of Prosecutor Clarke's promised one hundred and twenty-five witnesses, was resumed by ex-District-Attorney Tidgway.

Berstrom is a beardless boy of seventeen and was, a year ago this month, one of the Sunday-school boys who was fascinated by "Willie" Miller's big talk about the inside information he possessed of Wall street, and invested a \$10 bill in the Franklin Syndicate.

Oscar Berstrom testified from his books that he put into Miller's scheme \$100 all told and drew out \$29 interest.

This opened the way for District-Attorney Clarke to go before the jury that over 15,000 creditors were engaged with the witnesses in the bankruptcy proceedings against Miller, all demanding the return of money entrusted to him, in the aggregate, nearly a million and a half of dollars.

Mrs. Alice Cline, of 130 Ryerson street, testified that she had deposited \$600 with Miller and received \$200 back in interest. The balance was promised to her in two weeks, but before the fortnight elapsed Miller was a fugitive.

Mr. Clarke here put that famous dummy \$100,000 certificate of deposit in evidence.

This and \$100,000 in bonds are supposed to have been in the handbag which Miller left under Miss Murphy's table in Louis J. Grant's office as he passed by on his way to "Col." Ammon's office on the morning of Nov. 31.

John B. Moriarty, of Albany, Chief Clerk in the State Department of Banking, testified that Miller was never an incorporated banker, neither was the Franklin Syndicate, and Miller was guilty of a criminal act if he held himself out as a banker.

William Diettering, Corporation Examiner in the office of the Secretary of State, testified that no certificates of incorporation of the Franklin Syndicate in New Jersey had ever been filed in Albany.

At 12:30 the trial was adjourned until Monday to give the fifth juror, Peter M. C. Cretor, an opportunity to go to his father-in-law's funeral.

At 1:30 the trial resumed and it is more trouble. The Miller creditors are after his famous giant fee.

Sumner J. Flash, of the law firm of Reeder & Flash, No. 275 Fulton street, Brooklyn counsel for 2,000 petitioning creditors of get-rich-quick Miller, now on trial before Judge Hurd, in Brooklyn, has made a motion to compel "Colonel Bob" to turn over to Receiver John B. Lord the enormous fee paid him by Miller a few days before the money mill went to pieces.

This fee amounted to \$150,000, and was the subject of a very timely vetoed attack made on Ammon by District-Attorney Clarke in his opening speech to the Miller jury.

The writ is returnable, and will be argued before Judge Thomas in the United States District Court in Brooklyn.

Ammon will have to tell of what his services consisted, how long he was connected with the money-hungry syndicate, what he did with the money, and, generally, the payment by one of the largest retainers ever paid.

MORE SUGAR RUMORS.

One Who that Settlement Was in Night-Reported Alliance Between Arbuckle and Standard Oil.

A 4-4 rise in the price of Sugar, which this morning brought out the usual crop of rumors.

One as to the effect of the Arbuckle, who are among the Trusts' closest competitors, had opened hands with the Standard Oil interests with a view to acquiring control of Sugar stock in the open market.

Another rumor was that negotiations between the warring factions had been resumed and that a settlement was in sight.

REYNOLDS STILL MISSING.

No Trace of Theatrical Manager Who Disappeared from Gilroy House.

Although a vigorous search has been made for Joseph P. Reynolds, the theatrical manager who disappeared yesterday, no trace of the missing man has been found.

Every day for months Mrs. Reynolds, the wife of the manager, has taken him to the Gilroy House, where she would find him a seat, and leaving him there, return and take him home in the afternoon. Reynolds' mind had been failing, and he was able to care for himself.

His daily visits to the Gilroy were a revelation for him and appeared to be beneficial.

Yesterday Mrs. Reynolds left him at the hotel as usual, but when she returned for him he was gone. Somebody said that he had had a fight and was being taken to Broadway and Thirtieth street, where he was being kept.

Mrs. Reynolds was well known in the theatrical business. He had been the head of the Fifth Avenue Theatre for two years was connected with "The Great Diamond Robbery," and was in at present reputed quite well.

REYNOLDS'S DAUGHTER MISSING.

Miss Reynolds, granddaughter of the missing man, arrived in the Italian city of Rome, and is expected to return to New York in a few days.

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HOW THE SEASONS DO CHANGE!



Oh, dear! It's getting "Dewey" again!

STRIKERS NOT EAGER TO FIGHT SHERIFF.

Italians Quail Before Armed Force in Greenwich and Disperse.

(Special to The Evening World.)

GREENWICH, Conn., April 6.—High Sheriff Hawley, with fifty deputies, arrived here from Bridgeport today to aid the local authorities in preventing the threatened parade of building trades strikers.

Deputy Sheriff Fitz-Roy, with ten constables and twenty special officers, met him at the depot, and it was decided to arrest all paraders at all cost.

Gov. Lounsbury notified the Sheriff that Companies F and D of the State Militia from Norwalk were ready for a call, and would aid the civil officers to preserve the peace.

The situation arising out of the strike of the building trades unions of Greenwich and Portchester, reached a crisis, and in desperation the local officials called in outside aid to suppress demonstrations.

The trouble developed had been precipitated by the Italian laborers involved. The latter seized this opportunity to press their demands for more pay and less work. They paraded and induced force or argument workmen to join them.

The officials in response to pressure brought to bear issued an order prohibiting street parades and other demonstrations. The strikers accepted the gauntlet and announced an elaborate parade for today.

The village of Portchester had forbidden the striking Italians from parading there, and to-day they were scheduled to come here. They paraded in Greenwich three hundred strong Wednesday and made all work on public streets and private property stop.

Two hundred and fifty Italians paraded the streets carrying a banner marked "Eight-hour day, \$1.50 per day, pay every week." They marched to all places where non-union men were employed and took them away from their work, either by coaxing or by taking their tools away.

The Italians, some hundred strong, assembled in Portchester just before

noon, and the programme was to cross the State line and parade here, despite opposition.

Company C, of Stamford, has received a thousand rounds of ammunition, and is prepared to be called here on short notice.

The strikers are said to be armed with pistols and knives, and they are led by one of their countrymen, who carries a large American flag. They also use a red flag on which is painted the word "Danger." They strike this flag whenever they find men at work.

When the Sheriff heard that the men were marching on the State line he sent "Let them come; we'll put every one of them in jail, and if they try violence, we'll give them lead to eat. The action of these Italians is nothing less than insurrection. We intend to suppress it. They come over into Connecticut from New York State line and attempt disorder. I am here to protect our citizens and will do it."

The Sheriff addressed a meeting of the labor unions of Greenwich at noon. The members of these unions are on strike, but they do not sympathize with the lawless Italians. They told the Sheriff that they would assist him in every possible way.

Sheriff Hawley received word this afternoon from the pockets along the State line that the riotous Italians were coming frightened at the armed display made by the authorities had dispersed. Feeling assured that no trouble was imminent the Chief of Police and eight men who were summoned from Stamford returned on the 1 P. M. train.

Sheriff Hawley, however, decided to remain on the scene with his deputies. Some of the more timid inhabitants left town for fear a serious riot might ensue. Later in the day the excitement subsided, and the village soon resumed its customary quiet aspect. All the workmen who had been frightened into remaining away from their work were back this afternoon after receiving assurances of protection from the police.

buried in Greenwood Cemetery this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker, the child's parents, took her visiting to Union Hill Tuesday. The child played about the house with other little children all day, finally winding up with a game of tag.

Toward evening Irene began to feel drowsy and went to sleep in her mother's arms. After awhile Mrs. Baker was horrified to find that her child was dead in her arms.

The little one had died of heart failure brought on by too much exercise.

ASHANTIS UP IN ARMS.

Tribal Fighting on British Gold Coast in Africa—Condition Serious.

ACCRA, British Gold Coast, Africa, April 6.—Tribal fighting has taken place in Ashanti.

Governor and Lady Hodgson are at Comassie. The telegraph wires have been cut; communication stopped and dispatches destroyed.

A body of Humors is leaving here for Comassie. The situation appears to be serious.

DIED AFTER DAY OF PLAY.

Three-Year-Old Had Jelly Time on Viol, Then Succumbed to Heart Failure.

A game of tag with too much exercise killed three-year-old Irene Baker, of 125 Clinton street, Stoken, who was

PRICES SOARING IN WALL STREET

Sugar, People's Gas and Local Traction Stocks Were Features.

The stock market was distinctly strong at the opening to-day, notwithstanding the unfavorable progress of the London market.

The particularly strong issues were the local traction stocks and the entire industrial group. The latter specialties were evidently influenced by the remarkable rise in Sugar.

Some of the railway shares which at the opening displayed weariness, particularly the Pacifics and Grangers, subsequently rallied above last night's close in sympathy with the general upward movement in the higher-priced issues.

Sugar climbed uninterrupted from the opening figure 119 to 121-1/2, an extreme gain of 1-1/2 points above yesterday.

People's Gas was up 1-1/2 points to 110-1/2, while Consolidated Gas was 1 point to the good at 131, and Continental Tobacco 1 point to 32-1/2.

The local traction stocks were exceedingly active and displayed unexpected strength.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit on moderate buying jumped 2 points to 75, while the first price on Metropolitan reached a similar gain to 165. Manhattan advanced over a point to 97-1/2.

The Baltimore & Ohio issues again came into prominence by the remarkably rapid advance of the preferred stock to \$5-1/4 against the close of last night at \$5-1/8, and also climbed above the common stock's value, which was selling at \$5.

Pennsylvania and New York Central were the most conspicuous in the railroad stocks. The former gained 1-1/2 points and the latter after a fractional loss at the start recovered and advanced 1/2 to 12-1/2.

All the steel and iron issues were higher, with Federal Steel and Tennessee the features.

Trading was very active and heavy. A rise in Sugar at 114-1/2 at noon strengthened the general list, but the railroads failed to get back to top figures.

Heavy trading in the industrial specialties followed and they gave way from 1 to 2 points with the maximum loss in Sugar and Tobacco.

Toward the close speculation became very quiet and fluctuations narrow. A consequent demand for Sugar, Southern Pacific and Missouri Pacific acted as a tonic on the market and trading became lively and the market stronger.

Canada Southern and Chesapeake & Ohio made a show of strength, and continued support was accorded Missouri Pacific and Missouri Pacific.

The closing was dull and irregular and the shares were much mixed.

The total sales of stock to-day were 705,460 shares, and of bonds \$2,565,000 par value.

The Closing Quotations.

Am. Car & Foundry	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Dist. Tel.	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Am. Ice Co.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Lumber	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Sugar	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
Am. T. & P.	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Tobacco	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Wire	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Zinc	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Coal	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Oil	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Gas	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Electric	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Water	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Paper	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Textile	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Chemical	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Pharmaceutical	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Medical	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Surgical	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Dental	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Veterinary	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Agricultural	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Commercial	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Industrial	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Transportation	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Communication	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Public Utilities	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Am. Miscellaneous	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2

A LABORATORY BURNED.

One of Lehigh University's finest buildings destroyed—Loss is \$200,000.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., April 6.—The physical laboratory, one of the largest and finest buildings of the Lehigh University, was this morning destroyed by fire.

The loss will probably exceed \$200,000.

WHEAT WAS FIRMER AND TRADING ACTIVE.

Wheat opened firmer to-day, owing to the much smaller Argentine shipments. Foreign houses bought largely, and the local houses covered until it was found there was no lack of wheat for sale.

The prices then quickly lost the advance.

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Schuyler Van Ness, fifty years old and homeless, was in Centre Street Court this morning, charged with being hopelessly intoxicated in Park Row last night.

"May it please your most learned and distinguished Honor," began Van Ness in response to an inquiry by Magistrate Flesher as to what explanation he had to offer, "I have been, like all my great ancestors, an honored citizen of this great Commonwealth all my life."

"It is, I presume, within the knowledge of your most learned and distinguished Honor that poverty, even in the case of a son of the honored and ancient house of my distinguished ancestors, is no crime."

"Learned in the law, as I have no reason to doubt, your most honorable Honor, exemplary upright and honored Judge, such as Your Honor is, I hope you will pardon me in my own case, in recognition of this, my most eloquent address."

Van Ness was given three months on the island and thanked the Magistrate effusively for "the privilege conferred."

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